

# Feedback

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## Deer Creek water needs the early release

Editor, Herald:

Reference is made to Robert McDougall's article on page 7 of the Daily Herald on the 11th of May. May I suggest that we keep out of trouble so we don't have to spend a lot more time and money getting out of trouble.

Let's look at a few facts which Mr. McDougall didn't mention.

— Deer Creek reservoir holds 150,000 acre feet of water before it spills over the top of the dam. If Mr. Gardner released another 50,000 acre feet, there would be

even more reservoir capacity to store more flood water.

There is still enough capacity in Provo River to deliver at least 25 percent more water to Utah Lake without doing much if any damage along the way. The flow should be increased today — not two weeks from today. This would give flood protection forces time to observe the weak spots and strengthen them while there is still time to do something about them.

Have you thought what might happen if a heat wave caused so much water to

overflow Deer Creek Dam? How would you like to have two feet of water going down 200 West in front of the Daily Herald building?

Some of us still remember in the spring of 1952 when we worked for three days to keep the river from changing its course down 2nd West through the central business district. Someone has said "A stitch in time save nine."

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## All we need is more officialdom, 'officials'

Editor, Herald:

I refer you to your headline of June 4th page one — "Officials Dedicate Lake-River Project." I never cease to be amazed at one's ability to learn new things. I always kind of figured that officials officiated. Now I come to find that a new form of bureaucrat exists which I was totally unaware of. This person is called the "Official." Evidently, judging from your headline, there are more than one of these people. Just what is an official?

Well, it seems obvious that these individuals were hired specifically to dedicate

things; in this case a lake-river project. But ask yourself this question, Is it really reasonable, given the state of the State's revenue picture, to hire two or more officials to go around dedicating things? I mean, the Governor wants efficiency and cost effectiveness, and here we are paying officials to make formal speeches and cut ribbons.

I think the taxpayers of Utah have a right to know just how many of these officials we're paying. For all we know there are Official Offices hidden away in various government buildings all over the

State. They probably have their own staffs and copy machines and paper supplies. No government entity is safe from this blatant payroll padding.

I would like to suggest that some investigative reporters be put on the track of this hidden bureaucracy to ferret out the facts. We are all, I'm sure, willing to pay for legitimate government services, however, this kind of blatant misuse of public funds is simply offal (sic)!

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## will return artifacts

BLANDING, Utah (AP) — San Juan County Commissioner Calvin Black remains displeased with the seizure of Indian artifacts from his home by federal officials, but is satisfied now that he's been promised they will be returned to his door.

"Of course, I've felt they haven't acted responsibly and I've had to go through a lot of extra effort to get my property back that they shouldn't have taken in the first place," Black said Monday.

He said the 23 items, seized May 8 during a three-state sweep aimed at stopping vandalism at southern Utah archeological sites, were to be taken to his Blanding home 310 miles southeast of Salt Lake City on Tuesday morning.

## Lawman gets probation

BLACKFOOT, Idaho (AP) — A deputy who was honored earlier this year for his fight against drug abuse was sentenced to four years probation for stealing three ounces of cocaine from the county's evidence vault.

Seventh District Judge Arnold Beebe provided withheld judgment for former Deputy Carl Johnson, which means the offense will be expunged from Johnson's record if he successfully completes probation, said Scott Axline, Beebe's law clerk.

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# Deer Creek Drowning Claims Youth

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A drowning accident on Sunday evening claimed the life of G. Glenn Thorley, a 17 year old Taylorsville youth. The accident occurred at the head of Wallsburg Bay on Deer Creek Reservoir at approximately 7 p.m.

Witnesses to the accident stated that the youth apparently became tired when swimming across the narrow stretch of water in the bay. He had been swimming with friends earlier in the evening before he started to have trouble about 30 feet from the south shore. When the youth

cried for help his companion tried to assist, but lost hold of the youth after he started to slip under the water.

Two bystanders also heard the youth's cry for help and responded by diving into the water and attempted to locate the victim who by now was no longer visible on the surface.

At this time divers were called in from the Wasatch County Search and Rescue to attempt to locate the body. The search ended at 11 p.m. that evening when the youth's body was recovered.

**JULY 12TH** (Saturday) The Far West Fur Trade and the Mountain Man. Program by Jerry Springer, 8:30 p.m. Wasatch Mountain State Park, \$2.00 per car load. For more information call 654-3961 or 654-0540.

**JULY 14-18TH** (Mon.-Fri.) Single Adult Conference B.Y.U. Campus (for ages 25-40). Call Gaila Furner at 654-4108 for information.

# Farmers are Invited to Run for Area Committee

Eligible Farmers in Morgan, Summit and Wasatch counties are invited to become nominees for the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) area committee, FmHA County Supervisors, Dale Carlson announced today.

As a result of the 1985 Farm Bill, two of the three members of FmHA area committee must be elected. The third member is designated by FmHA. The area committee assists the FmHA county office in determining the eligibility of applicants for certain types of FmHA loans. Generally, farmers who are residents of the county not FmHA borrowers are eligible to become nominees for the FmHA area committee. "Farmers in these counties, serving on the committee, play

the process of loan application and reviews," said Dale Carlson.

For this first election only, two members will be elected at the same time. One member will be elected for a term of one year and one member will be elected for a two year term. In the future all terms of service will be for three years each on a staggered basis.

Nominating petitions must be returned to the FmHA county office in Coalville by July 18, 1986.

Additional information and application forms for those who are interested in becoming nominees for the area committee are available at the FmHA county office in Coalville, or by